CITY COUNCIL CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND

RESOLUTION NO. 06-04

INTRODUCED BY: City Council

DATE ADOPTED: <u>SEPTEMBER 5, 2006</u>

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATIONS WITH VERIZON MARYLAND, INC. FOR A CABLE FRANCHISE

WHEREAS, the Seat Pleasant City Council has the power under Article 23 A, §2(b)(13) to grant non-exclusive cable franchises; and

WHEREAS, the City is served by one cable franchisee, Comcast Cable Communications; and

WHEREAS, Verizon Maryland, Inc. (Verizon) has indicated its interest in negotiating a non-exclusive cable franchise in the City; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that the competition that would result from two franchisees offering cable services in the City will be in the public interest.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Seat Pleasant, Maryland, that the City Administrator be and is hereby authorized to negotiate a cable franchise with Verizon, with final approval reserved to the City Council. The City Administrator may negotiate for the City as part of a municipal coalition, or as part of a coalition with Prince George's County, as is determined by him to be most advantageous to the City, and is authorized to incur reasonable attorney and other fees for this purpose.

ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of Seat Pleasant, Maryland on September 5, 2006.

EFFECTIVE on September 5, 2006.

ATTEST:

CITY OF SEAT PLEASANT, MARYLAND

Sandra A. Yates, City Clerk

Lity Council President